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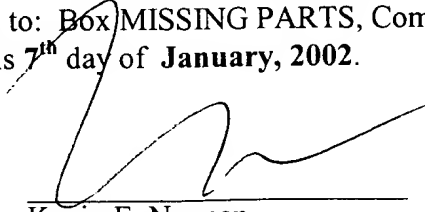Box MISSING PARTS
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Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached

   a. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application
   b. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
   c. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application
   d. Claim of Priority
   e. Certified copy of Swiss patent application 2000 2252/00
   f. Certified copy of Swiss patent application 2000 2314/00
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2. With respect to additional fees:
   a. An additional fee of $130.00 is required.
   b. A check in the amount of $130.00 is enclosed.

3. Please charge any deficiency in the amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **13-2490**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

4. **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8:** The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described in paragraph 1 herein-above, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as "First Class Mail" in an envelope addressed to: Box MISSING PARTS, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 7th day of **January, 2002.**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, mailed December 26, 2001, Applicants submit herewith an executed copy of their Declaration, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.63 and 1.68.

A check in the amount of $130.00 accompanies this Response.

Respectfully submitted,
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Date: January 7, 2002

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
  A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of $130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is $ 130.**

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